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29 August 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL E. K. SNIGHT

Subject: (a) Ambassadors Butler and McGurk
(b) Closing of the office of the Legal
Attache in Santo Domingo

1. The newly appointed American Ambassadors to the Dominican Republic and to Uruguay are presently in Washington. They expect to proceed to Santo Domingo and Montivideo respectively in, I think, about ten days. It is suggested that General Vandenberg might care to invite them to his office in the same manner as the newly appointed Ambassador to Haiti was received on 28 August.

2. Both Mr. George Butler, who is proceeding to the Dominican Republic, and Mr. Joseph McGurk, who is proceeding to Uruguay, are State Department career officers with long experience in Latin America.

3. Mr. Buford, of Colonel Eddy's office in the State Department, inquired whether the office of the Legal Attache in the Dominican Republic had been closed. Mr. Joyce inquired of Mr. Neal, of the Office of Foreign Correlation in the State Department, and he confirmed that an airgram had been received from Santo Domingo stating that as of 15 August 1946 the office of the Legal Attache to the American Embassy had been closed and the Legal Attache and his clerical assistant (this represented the entire office) had left Santo Domingo for the United States.

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